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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: William J. McDonald et al.  
Serial No.: 10/775,455  
Filing Date: February 10, 2004  
Group Art Unit: 2837  
Examiner: Jeremy Austin Luks  
Confirmation No. 1388  
Title: SEISMIC ENERGY SOURCE FOR USE DURING  
WELLBORE DRILLING

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed July 12, 2006, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the comments and amendments set forth below.